

Life Skills Ties

Domain: Employability

Level: 5-12

Marble Pipeline



Materials: 1 15" piece of pvc pipe for each participant, marbles.

Time: 10 minutes

Divide the group into teams of 8. Give each participant a 15 inch section of $\frac{1}{2}$ " pvc pipe. Then give each team a small marble that will roll inside the pipe. Set up a starting line, and a finish line 15 yards distant. Explain that team members are to start the marble rolling through the tube of the first participant, then connect to a second participant, then a third, etc. Participants are not to advance the marble by walking, but only by travel through the tubes. They also may not touch the marble with their hands at any point in time, or else they must start over. The object is to get the marble from the starting position to the finish line.

Variation: Have the group form a circle and see how many times they can have the marble travel around the circumference without dropping.

Questions:

What makes your team work the best together?

What problems did you have?

Liken this model to your workplace.